SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph at lines 5-11 of page 1 with the following amended paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of U. S. Provisional Application entitled "Web Server Architecture", No. 60/156,305, filed September 24, 1999, and U. S. Provisional Application entitled "Web Server Architecture", No. 60/155,711, filed September 24, 1999. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application entitled "Mechanism for Enabling Customized Session Managers to Interact with a Network Server", Serial No. 09/524,775not yet assigned, filed on March 14, 2000. The entire contents of these prior applications are hereby incorporated by reference.

Please replace the paragraph at lines 1-5 of page 2 with the following amended paragraph:

previous request, even if the requests are from the same client, and even if the requests have some common nexus. For simple applications in which every task that needs to be performed can be carried out in a single roundtrip, this statelessness is not a problem. However, for exchanges (such as transactions) that require multiple roundtrips, the lack of state presents a significant impediment.